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Section

- 1** **Vehicle purchases.** Current law requires state agencies to purchase motor vehicles capable of being powered by cleaner fuels, or vehicles powered by electricity or a combination of electricity and liquid fuel, if the vehicle is capable of carrying out its intended purpose and if the vehicle is reasonably available at similar costs to other vehicles. This bill strikes from current law the requirement that the vehicle is reasonably available at similar costs.

“Cleaner fuels” are defined in current law (Minn. Stat., sec. 16C.135, subdivision 1) as:

- (1) biodiesel blends of 20 percent or greater by volume (B20-B100);
- (2) compressed natural gas;
- (3) ethanol blends of 70 percent or greater by volume (E70-E100);
- (4) hydrogen;
- (5) liquefied natural gas; and
- (6) liquefied petroleum gas.